(1) Brahmins, (2) Nayars, (3) Ezhuvas, (4) Valans, (5) Pulayas (6) Mohammadans (7) Jews, (8) Protestant Christians (9) Jacobite Christians, (10) Syrian Christians, (11) Latin Christians, (12) Anglo-Indians;

(b) how many persons have been appointed in the Government service during the last 5 years drawing a pay of Rs. 50 and upwards in each of the communities referred to in (a).

(c) how many persons have been given promotions during the immediate past 5 years drawing a pay of Rs. 50 and upwards in each of the communities referred to in (a)?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A statement containing the information available is appended. (*Appendix II*)

Vidya Vinodini Readers.

383. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) how many times the Vidya Vinodini Readers were submitted to the Cochin Text-Book Committee;

(2) how many times they were rejected by the Committee;

(3) were they ever approved by the Text Book Committee;

(4) if not, how did the Government include them in the approved list;

(5) on whose recommendation were these books included in the list of approved books which have been rejected by the Text-Book Committee at its several meetings?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) Readers 1, 2, 3 and 6 were presented 5 times and Readers 5, 7 and 8 only four times.

(2) All the Readers were rejected in all meetings except the last. The Readers 1 to 8 were received for consideration in the first Text-Book Committee meeting of 1101 for the last time. But Government ordered that Vidya Vinodini Readers should be considered to have been approved by the Text-Book Committees and so these books were not considered in the Text-Book Committee meeting of 1104.

(3) No.

(4) and (5). The Government did it on the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction.

Pay of certain officers.

384. Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table of the House a list of officers who are junior in point of service to Messrs C. Ramankutty Menon B. A. and M. Kunjan Menon, B. A., Tahsildars of Cochin Kanayannur and Mukundapuram respectively, but whose permanent pay was higher than that of the said two officers at the close of Kanni last;

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(b) to state why the said two officers' juniors were given a higher pay?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(a) A list is placed on the Council Table.

(b) Because they are occupying posts which carry higher pay.

Caste-war list of Government Servants.

385. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Referring to question No. 52 of the last Budget Session, will the Government be pleased to inform,—

(a) the number of (1) caste Hindus, (2) non-caste Hindus, (3) Christians, (4) Muslims and (5) Jews in each department on 1st January 1930;

(b) the number of appointments made in each department in the year 1930; and

(c) of these appointments how many have been given to each of the five classes of people aforementioned;

(d) whether any explanation has been called for from the heads of departments who have not followed the policy of giving adequate representation to unrepresented communities; and if not,

(e) whether it will be called for now and placed on the Table?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) and (b). The information collected is appended. (*Vide Appendix III*).

(c)

Caste-Hindus	252
Non-caste Hindus	92
Christians	107
Muslims	14
Jews	Nil

(d) No. There was no necessity for it.

(e) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (d).

High Schools and Colleges and playing fields.

386. Mr. E. Ekkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the number and names of the High Schools and Colleges in the State with the extent, if any, of the playing fields of each?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Vide statement appended. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Are the existing play-grounds, mentioned in the last column, in good condition?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Some of them have not been even levelled down as was pointed out in the list itself and a great

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